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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to fee calculation and examination please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please amend the paragraph at page 38, line 18- 20 as follows:

B/ - - Likewise disazo dyes (B) of the formula (V) may be prepared in an analogous manner. Methods of preparation of such dyes are also disclosed in DE-A-3825658 and DE-A-3622080 --.

See Appendix for the changes. The terms underlined were added to the specification and the terms bracketed were canceled from the specification.